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sibly be granted them, the distorted and biased form in which they are presented would immediately cast doubt upon them. He quibbles throughout. The word *confessus* is used first to denote an admission of a specific statement, and directly thereafter in the technical sense of a confession of guilt. In one case at least he involves himself in a dangerous approach to prevarication. When the anonymous letter was brought forward, Lentulus, says Cicero, *vehementissime perturbatus tamen et signum et manum suam cognovit*. But if the *signum* and *manus* were recognizable, what could Lentulus possibly have hoped to gain by refusing to put his name to the letter? These are only several examples among many in which Cicero by adroit manipulation of expressions, or by actual falsehood, brings about the general impression that the five men were actually "*manifesti* and *confessi*", neither of which is the case.

Only Lentulus, Cethegus and Statilius were accused of direct complicity. Gabinius and Caeparius suffered seemingly as accessories without even an attempt at proof beyond Cicero's vague "*indicatum est*" and a vituperative epithet. The other men proscribed by the senate, Chilo, Umbrenus, Annius, and Cassius escaped for the same reason that renders the Nuerembergers averse to capital punishment.

We are not concerned at present with Cicero's motives. Examining the testimony not by arbitrary rules of a special Law of Evidence, but by those modern methods the reasonable basis of which makes them more generally applicable, we can not fail to come to the conclusion that the prosecution had woefully failed to make out its case against the five men condemned and executed. Cicero may have been thoroughly convinced of their guilt and proceeded on the assumption "any stick is good enough to beat a dog with"; but in this case the stick was exceedingly bad, and the dog must have been a mangy cur indeed to have deserved it.

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PROSPECTUS FOR 1904-1905

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:—

An editorial committee of Latin teachers from the High Schools in New York City will begin on Oct 1, 1904, the publication of the *fifth volume* of THE NEW YORK LATIN LEAFLET, a small four-page weekly sheet devoted primarily to the discussion of Latin or Greek topics touching the secondary field of Latin and Greek instruction. Latin will naturally continue to be the predominant feature. On the editorial committee and among the contributors are now representatives from seven of the New York High Schools, from The Normal College, The College of the City of New York, The Brooklyn Latin School, The Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Newark Academy, The Hotchkiss School, The Teachers' College, Packer Collegiate Institute, Adelphi College, The New York University, and Columbia University. Other local institutions will be represented as the work of organization goes on. This arrangement not only makes the editorial quotient small, but insures that the matter for publication will be of a reasonably high order; and, while an effort will be made to keep closely to the practical, no bar will be placed to contributions from any source bearing on the classics which the narrow limits of the publication will admit. The size of the little publication is indicated by this prospectus. To secure effectiveness, it will appear weekly during 25 weeks of the school year.

Owing to the extremely narrow constituency which such a technical publication as this naturally commands, the editorial committee has seen fit to give the paper a practical goal, such as the establishment of a High School College Entrance Scholarship Fund, to which every penny over and above the expenses of the publication will be devoted. It has been thought wisest to place all the money secured, at the end of each year, in the hands of Trustees. Consequently, Mr Arthur S Somers, Ex-Commissioner of Education, Dr Nicholas Murray Butler of the College Entrance Examination Board, Dr. John H. Finley, President of the College of the City of New York and Mr. Frederick D. Mollenhauer of the Mollenhauer Sugar refinery have kindly consented to take charge of this fund in trust, and the money so far paid in is now in their hands.

To pay the expenses of publication, three columns will be open to advertising, and already assurances have been given for enough high class advertisements to vouchsafe for all expenses for another year in advance. Thus the financial part of the undertaking has been made as solid as a rock*. This leaves all money in the shape of subscriptions to the paper sacred to the Scholarship Fund. THE LATIN LEAFLET

will have as a second object, then, the establishment of this Fund, and it is hoped that in this way the little sheet, by reason of its commendable purpose, will possess for all teachers devoted to the welfare of the public schools, as well as for many others who are not teachers, an interest which it could not hope to secure otherwise owing to the narrow limitations that beset any technical publication. The subscription price has been placed at 25c, so that no one need feel under the necessity of declining to support it on the ground of expense.

This two-fold undertaking has thus far, in the limited time which has elapsed since the idea was born, been brought to the attention of several citizens and school men, high in the councils of education, who have not only shown their moral support of and sympathy with the project by becoming SCHOLARSHIP PATRONS, but have also generously contributed toward the fund, so that now nearly five thousand (\$5000) dollars have been subscribed. We hope that you will at least subscribe for a year at 25c, seeing that all the subscription money goes unimpaired into the Scholarship Fund. You may become a LEAFLET PATRON by subscribing \$5 (payable at your option in five annual payments of \$1 each during health and prosperity), and be entitled to four copies, which will be sent every week to any four names you may give us. You may do even better, if you think well enough of the plan, and pay \$25 (payable at your option in five annual payments of \$5 each during health and prosperity), thus becoming one of the SCHOLARSHIP PATRONS. Quite a number have subscribed \$25 a year for five years. Mr F D Mollenhauer has generously subscribed \$100 a year for five years. Payments may be made to any member of the editorial committee. We cannot deny that we shall be glad to have a large subscription, but we shall be delighted to receive a small one. Subscriptions will be payable on or before the first day of November of each year, and a warning card will be sent to you before your subscription is due. Checks should be made payable to the Scholarship Fund. The Treasurer is Mr E W Harter of the Erasmus Hall High School, Brooklyn, who will promptly acknowledge all money received.

When the Scholarship Fund has been completed, the annual income therefrom will be awarded on a competitive examination to the most successful candidate from the High Schools in Greater New York. The conditions of eligibility will be announced later and after consultation with wiser heads. But the scholarship will be awarded for general excellence in all departments, including Latin, and it is gratifying to announce that the College Entrance Examination Board has kindly consented to determine the merits of the case. The successful candidate will be per-

mitted to choose any college to his liking, a feature which places this scholarship in striking contrast with all scholarships now offered by colleges, and the amount will be paid to him in four quarterly payments, the only condition being the presentation by him of evidence, each quarter, that he has made good use of his opportunities. The scholarship will be open to both sexes, the appointment being for a year. Only condition being the presentation by him of evidence, each quarter, that he has made good use of his opportunities. The scholarship will be open to both sexes, the appointment being for a year.

Such a scholarship will not only have in its favor all the arguments which support any scholarship now in existence, but will possess several unique features of its own. It will be thoroughly democratic in character, leading to any college, university, professional or technical school, within the choice of the holder, at which studies shall be pursued in advance of those already pursued. Usually a scholarship is an attraction held out by the college to the secondary school. This scholarship will operate as a force from the secondary school, impelling toward the college. In this way, it will prove not only directly stimulating, but may be indirectly the means of turning the eyes of a larger number of students toward the college than would otherwise look in that direction. This desirable effect will also be enhanced by the fact that this scholarship originates with the schools themselves.

If anyone should happen to search for a natural and inherent connection between the publication of THE LATIN LEAFLET and the establishment of the scholarship, he will search in vain, since none exists. But a momentary glance will suffice to disclose the practical connection and the mutual helpfulness of the two projects.

An itemized account of our finances will be published twice a year in order to show just what we are doing.

It appears quite in order here to express our obligations to our PATRONS and friends thus far enlisted, who have assured the success of THE LEAFLET and have made the success of the Scholarship Fund possible and probable. The altruism of the private schools also, who are cooperating with us, should be particularly acknowledged, seeing that the scholarship will be awarded only to graduates from the public High Schools. THE EDITORIAL COMMITTEE

* THE LEAFLET has lived long enough to demonstrate its practical value as an advertising medium, especially to publishers, and the increasing cheerfulness with which our advertisers renew their contracts from year to year is a matter of gratification to the Editorial Committee. THE LEAFLET is easily the best medium for reaching the classical teachers of the country, owing to its small size and large circulation. We cannot, of course, expect to attract publishers who desire to make their advertising conditional on any favoritism.